

COURT TO CONVENE IN SPECIAL TERM

Outlaw Allens Will
Be Arraigned at

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Trial of Barnard Allen Like-
ly to Reveal Whether or
Not Attack on Court

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Hillsville, Va., March 21.—(Clerk)
Dexter Goad to-day received word
from Judge Staples that a special term
of the Carroll county court will be
held on Wednesday, March 27. On the
preceding day Judge Staples will finish

The announcement of a special trial means that the Aliens now in jail at Roanoke and any captured in the meantime will be formally arraigned here, though a change of venue may be secured by counsel for the defense. Troops, it is believed, will be here on that date to prevent any more outbreaks.

Allen, will be placed on trial for a offense similar to the one for which Floyd Allen was being tried last Thursday, interfering with an officer. It is believed that this trial may reveal whether or not the outbreak last Thursday was premeditated.

Early Developments Expected.
Comfortably sheltered in the mountains, the posse of detectives hunting the Allen gang has made no report of its activities since Tuesday night. Developments, however, are expected tomorrow.

mentarily. The fact that the posse is not returning to Hillsville nightly is taken as an indication of the beginning of a long siege in the mountains. The detectives hitherto have been losing much time going to and from towns and have aimed to reach here at nightfall. This has given but little actual time for the man-hunt. It is thought that friendly stopping places now have been found and is reason-

In fact, to-night it was rumored that a ruse had been set afoot by the detectives which eventually would ensnare the assassins. Governor Mann said to know all about it. It is believed that reports have been going

to Richmond by way of Galax.
Many peculiar letters are reaching
here from the outside world, of which
the following is a sample:
"Postmaster, Hillsville, Va.:
"Dear Sir,—I am a young man that
is willing to give up my life to help
to hunt down them bandits. If you
will send me the directions to get
there, I will come at once.
"Yours, truly,
"John W. ..."

"R. B. GOODRICH,
"133 Laurel Street, Binghamton, N. Y."
The condition of Andrew P. Howler
to-night is about the same. His phy-
sician says chances of recovery are
only even.

Gossip Is Menagre.
With only two detectives on guard
here, gossip of the Allens was measur-
e-to-day. The peaceful quiet of the town

was disturbed only by the activities of the two rival moving picture concerns. Each operator strove hard to collect eyewitnesses of last Thursday's tragedy for exclusive frame-ups of the scene.

The arrival in town of Dr. R. E. Branscome was observed with much interest, as it was recalled that he alone once conquered Floyd Allen in a boxing ring.

"Floyd Alien pulled me off my horse," said Branscome. "and I kind of laid down insensible, but I got up and Floyd did some saying then."

TRAGEDY IS RE-ENACTED
Courtroom Scenes Will Be Reproduced
in Moving Pictures.
[By Associated Press.]
Hillsville, Va., March 21.—Another tragedy was enacted in the old Carroll county courthouse to-day. Another troop of mountain outlaws rode in shot the judge down off his bench and

The only real fighting was between the moving picture men. Hillsville, Rhode Island, which extends from the

house to the blacksmith shop, was not replete with amateur Thespians who wanted to take a part in the scene and competition for their services was keen. The pictures finally were made after much rehearsing, while the camera men clicked off the reels and the stage manager's megaphone made echoes in the nearby hills.

For all that most folk here know, has not progressed, but Governor Mar and the authorities are planning a coup. A plan is afoot which is expected to materialize the last of this week or the first of next. The Governor admitted this to-day and declined to discuss his plans.

Posse Not Heard From.
The posse which left here so hurriedly on Tuesday night has not been seen or heard from since. It is now

known that the hunters will not quar